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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2004, reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

A. Written Description Rejection of claims 1-12.

Claims 1-12 stand rejected for failing to comply with the written description requirement of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. This rejection of claims 1-12 is respectfully traversed.

The written description requirement arises from the language of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Vas-Cath Inc. v. Mahurkar, 935 F.2d 1555, 1560 (Fed. Cir. 1991). A primary

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